

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 207

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend the youth of the Nashville chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., for their service as pages in the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly pause in their deliberations to salute those young citizens who, through their remarkable efforts, have distinguished themselves as emerging community leaders of whom we can all be proud; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2017, five young people from the Nashville chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., will serve as pages on the floor of the House of Representatives; and

WHEREAS, founded on January 24, 1938, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, by Marion Stubbs Thomas and incorporated in 1946, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., is a membership organization of mothers with children between two and nineteen years of age, who are dedicated to nurturing future African-American leaders by strengthening children through leadership development, volunteer service, philanthropic giving, and civic duty; and

WHEREAS, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., boasts more than 230 chapters nationwide, representing more than 40,000 family members. Each chapter plans annual programming activities guided under a national theme; through service projects, the organization creates a medium of contact for children to stimulate their growth and development; and

WHEREAS, the Nashville chapter of Jack and Jill, Inc., was the twelfth chapter in the nation and the first chapter chartered in the Southeast. This year, the Nashville chapter celebrates the seventieth anniversary of its founding; and

WHEREAS, the five youth who will serve as pages in the House of Representatives are: Cameron Barnes, Hallie C. Sheffield, Jordan Johnson, Mahogany Johnson, and Alivia K. Dove; and

WHEREAS, committed to serving communities and children, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., encourages youth to showcase their talents and achievements, share their hopes and dreams, and work toward a bright and positive future; and

WHEREAS, the success of this State, the strength of our communities, and the overall vitality of American society depend, in great measure, upon the dedication of young people who use their considerable talents and resources to serve others; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we honor and commend the youth of the Nashville chapter of Jack and Jill of America, Inc., for their service as pages in the House of Representatives, recognize their peerless commitment to public service, and extend to them our best wishes for every future success.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.